

From: [FN-CEQ-efoia](#)
To: [Haas, Susan](#)
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 5768-0015
Date: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 10:23:11 AM
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Dear Susan,

It was nice speaking with you on the phone this morning. Below is a FOIA request that was sent to CEQ but that seeks EPA Region 10 records. As you can see from the correspondence below, the requester asked that we refer this to EPA Region 10 directly. Thank you for your assistance. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,
Brooke

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From: Leah Bilder [lbilder@bpmlaw.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 12:46 PM
To: FN-CEQ-efoia
Cc: June Jackson
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 5768-0015

Brooke,

I just realized that we had also sent a request to the DOE (not the EPA), and they are the agency we anticipate hearing from on February 19th.

Would you be able to forward our FOIA request to the EPA, Region X, which covers the Pacific Northwest, where we are located?

Thank you.

Leah

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From: Leah Bilder
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 9:06 AM
To: 'FN-CEQ-efoia'
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 5768-0015

Dear Brooke,

It was nice to speak with you, as well.

Thank you for your call, your follow-up email and your direction.

Leah

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From: FN-CEQ-efoia [<mailto:efoia@ceq.eop.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 8:55 AM
To: Leah Bilder
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 768-0015

Dear Leah,

It was nice speaking with you on the phone this morning regarding your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. We are in receipt of your request below that seeks "copies of EPA Region 10 records" relating to, "[h]azardous waste spills, such as diesel fuel or other petroleum products, at the Puget Sound Freight Lines facility (sometimes referred to as the Puget Sound Freight Lines facility) at 7303 8th Ave. South in Seattle, Washington, 98108, from 1966 to 1986. In particular, we request records relating to a spill that might have occurred on December 21, 1979." Your request was assigned case number FY2016-38.

The Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) does not have custody of EPA records and you would need to contact EPA to obtain this information, if it exists. Also, CEQ records of prior administrations are held with the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) and you would need to contact NARA to obtain access to those records. A few resources that may assist you are <https://www.archives.gov/foia/> and <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/request/publicPreCreate>. Because the type of record you are requesting is not one that CEQ maintains, your request will be closed. I am the FOIA Public Liaison and you may contact me with any questions regarding your request.

Sincerely,

Brooke Dorner
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Office: (202) 456-6224

From: Leah Bilder [lbilder@bpmlaw.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2016 10:43 AM
To: FN-CEQ-efoia
Cc: June Jackson
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 768-0015

Brooke,

Please see below for the letter from me that we faxed on January 8th and January 16th. Thank you for letting me know you still hadn't received it.

The letter that was enclosed with my letter, was one dated 1/14/80 from William Newell/of the EPA Environmental Emergency Section, to Dave Eaden of Puget Sound Freight Lines. The letter enclosed information on Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan (SPCC Plan) regulations along with clarifying amendments and notification regulations for oil and hazardous substances spills. (The EPA document was dated December 11, 1973, and was identified as Vol. 38, No. 237, Part II) Mr. Newell was going to forward the information to Mr. Eaden on the spill of December 21, 1979, when it was received from the Washington Department of Ecology.

Please let me know if I need to mail you the attachments.

Again, thank you for the update.

Leah

January 8, 2016

Via Email and Facsimile

Freedom of Information Officer
Council on Environmental Quality

Fax (202) 456-0753
efoia@ceq.eop.gov

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request
Puget Sound Truck Lines

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. Section 552 and 40 C.F.R. § 1515, we are requesting copies of EPA Region 10 records on:

Hazardous waste spills, such as diesel fuel or other petroleum products, at the Puget Sound Freight Lines facility (sometimes referred to as the Puget Sound Freight Lines facility) at 7303 8th Ave. South in Seattle, Washington, 98108, from 1966 to 1986. In particular, we request records relating to a spill that might have occurred on December 21, 1979.

This site is part of the Lower Duwamish Waterway (LDW) Superfund Site, and this request is part of Puget Sound Truck Lines' effort at compliance with the LDW allocation process as a potentially responsible party.

We have information that a spill might have occurred at this site on about December 21, 1979, and that this spill was reported to EPA. We have faxed this request to Freedom of Information Officer, Council on Environmental Quality at (202) 456-0753 along with an attached letter regarding that 1979 spill from William A. Newell, Environmental Emergency Section, EPA Region X, to assist in your search.

Prior to making this request we have checked the CEQ's online Freedom of Information Act Requester Service Center to ensure that the records we are requesting are not among those available on that web site.

If possible, we would like to receive the records in PDF format by email, if the records are readily reproducible in that form or format with reasonable effort. Please let me know if you need any further documentation to process this request under 40 C.F.R. § 1515.

Please inform me by return email if the fees for searching or copying these records will exceed

\$25.00. This requestor is not commercial, scientific or news media under 40 C.F.R. 1515.13.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Leah Bilder

LB/lb

Encls.

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From: FN-CEQ-efoia [<mailto:efoia@ceq.eop.gov>]

Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2016 7:20 AM

To: Leah Bilder

Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 768-0015

Dear Leah,

We are not in receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. I would recommend trying to submit it via email or postal mail. Please note, as before, that we do not accept attachments to emails and you will need to include the text in the body of the email.

Sincerely,
Brooke

From: Leah Bilder [lbilder@bpmlaw.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 10:34 AM
To: FN-CEQ-efoia
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 768-0015

Hi Brooke,

I faxed the request again yesterday.

When you get a chance, please let me know whether you received it.

Thanks!

Leah

Leah Bilder

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From: FN-CEQ-efoia [<mailto:efoia@ceq.eop.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2016 9:17 AM
To: Leah Bilder
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 768-0015

Dear Leah,

We have not received your request.

Sincerely,
Brooke

From: Leah Bilder [lbilder@bpmlaw.com]
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2016 5:22 PM
To: FN-CEQ-efoia

Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 768-0015

Brooke,

I also faxed the request the same day I emailed it. Hopefully it is being processed.

Thank you.

Leah

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From: FN-CEQ-efoia [<mailto:efoia@ceq.eop.gov>]

Sent: Friday, January 15, 2016 2:03 PM

To: Leah Bilder

Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 768-0015

Dear Leah,

As stated on our website, for security reasons, CEQ no longer accepts or opens attachments to emails submitted to the FOIA email inbox. CEQ will not respond to FOIA requests submitted as email attachments. Please transmit the attachments by fax or postal mail or include the information in the text body of the email.

Sincerely,

Brooke Dörner

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From: Leah Bilder [lbilder@bpmlaw.com]
Sent: Friday, January 08, 2016 11:27 AM
To: FN-CEQ-efoia
Cc: Patrick Paulich; June Jackson; leahbeahb@gmail.com
Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request Puget Sound Freight Lines (Duwamish) 768-0015

Freedom of Information Officer:

Attached is a FOIA request pertaining to Puget Sound Freight Lines, which we have also sent in via facsimile.

Thank you.

Leah

Leah Bilder

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